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IN REPLY REFER TO:  
NCPC File No. CP11

**MAY 30 2012**

The Honorable Isiah Leggett  
County Executive  
Montgomery County  
Executive Office Building  
101 Monroe Street  
Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Mr. Leggett:

We have reviewed the *County Executive's FY13 Recommended Operating Budget and FY13-18 Public Services Program* to determine the program's potential impact on federal properties or other federal interests in the National Capital Region (NCR). After careful review, I am pleased to report that none of the capital projects appear to have any adverse impact on federal interests.

We support the County's inclusion of the MD 355 Crossing (Base Realignment and Closure) -- No. 501209, which will assist in mitigating the impacts of BRAC related impacts in the region. Continued close coordination with the Department of the Navy, National Naval Medical Center at Bethesda, and the Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health is recommended to ensure that: (1) the transportation and pedestrian impacts of the increase in personnel at Bethesda are adequately addressed; and (2) environmental assessments are coordinated and completed related to this project.

The program includes projects that will help meet the NCR's sustainable development goals, including the stormwater management projects, Bethesda Metro Station South Entrance -- No. 500929, the Metropolitan Branch Trail -- No. 501110, and Wheaton Redevelopment Program -- No. 15401 are commendable. We encourage the county's continued close coordination with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Transportation and other federal agencies to ensure necessary improvements are successfully completed.

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We appreciate the opportunity to review and comment on your recommended CIP. We look forward to working with you in advancing our continued shared regional goals in the future. If you have any questions, please have a member of your staff contact Stacy Wood who can be reached at 202-482-7237.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Marcel C. Acosta', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Marcel C. Acosta  
Executive Director